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REASON FOR ALLOWANCE

1. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

As to claims 1, 7, the cited prior art of record fail to disclose or make it obvious the claimed invention for the reasons as stated in Applicant's response filed on 2/28/05, pages 6-7.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

2. Any response to this action should be mailed to:

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or faxed to:

(703) 872-9314 (for formal communications intended for entry)

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or communications from the examiner should be directed to Duc M. Nguyen whose telephone number is (571) 272-7893, Monday-Thursday (9:00 AM - 5:00 PM).

Or to Edward Urban (Supervisor) whose telephone number is (571) 272-7899.

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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (571) 272-7259.

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May 3, 2005